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VA BHHCS Announces New Human Resources Officer

VA Black Hills Health Care System (BHHCS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Michael Collins as the new Human Resources Officer. Michael will be responsible for the full scope of human resource services for VA BHHCS.

Michael has a Masters in Human Resource Management from Chapman University. He earned his Bachelors in Social Science from Upper Iowa University. He also maintains a current Registered Nurse licensure.

Michael is a retired Army Master Sergeant, with 21 years of active duty. He has eight years of Federal service, having served as a Labor and Delivery nurse, Case Manager and Nurse Educator at Madigan Army Medical Center, Tacoma, Wash., a Performance Improvement Nurse and Human Resource Specialist with VA Eastern Kansas Health Care System in Leavenworth, Kan., and a Human Resource Specialist with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Kansas City, Mo. Before coming to VA BHHCS, Michael was a national Technical Career Field Masters Intern as an Assistant Human Resources Officer, at the Central Arkansas Health Care System in North Little Rock, Ark., the Kansas City VA Medical Center in Kansas City, Mo., and the Eastern Kansas Health Care System in Leavenworth, Kan.

Michael is married, and with his wife Shirley, is the proud parent of three children and two grandchildren. When not working, Michael enjoys traveling and spending time with his family.

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